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Attached is a list of documents on form PTO-1449. In accordance with the Office waiver published July 11, 2003, Applicant encloses copies of any cited foreign patent documents in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

Document DE 43 04 128 A1 was cited in the International Preliminary Examination Report for corresponding International Application Number PCT/FI02/00218. The Examination Report is enclosed.

Document FI 67 240 was cited in an Official Action issued for Finnish priority Application No. 20010535. The Official Action is also enclosed. Applicant believes that there is no English-language equivalent of document FI 67 240 and thus cites document DE 34 13 890, which includes an English-language abstract and is believed to be an equivalent of document FI 67 240.

It is requested that the Examiner consider these documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By submitting the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but is instead submitting the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

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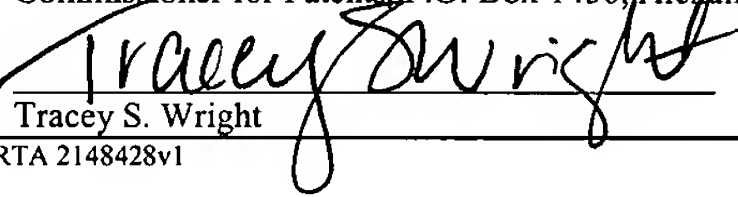
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